

REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 10-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 10-14 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph.

Drawings

It is noted that no Patent Drawing Review (Form PTO-948) was received with the outstanding Office Action. Thus, Applicant must assume that the drawings are acceptable as filed.

Amendments to Specification

Applicant has amended the specification as noted above to properly reference the prior application. It is believed that the foregoing amendments to the specification overcome the outstanding objections thereto. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure by the foregoing amendments to the specification.

Claim Amendments

By this Amendment, Applicant has canceled claim 15 and has amended claims 10 and 11 to obviate the rejections set forth in the outstanding Office Action. It is believed that amended claims specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Applicant's amended claim 10 comprises a combination of original claims 10 and 15, thus redrafting claim 15 in independent form. Claims 11-14 and 16 each depend from amended claim 10.

In the absence of any art cited against Applicant's original claims 10-16, it is not believed that any detailed discussion of the cited prior art references is necessary. Suffice to say that all of the claims remaining in this patent application contain subject matter against which no prior art citations have been made.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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